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FOR SECURE COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS

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REPLY

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 12, 2006, Paper No. 20060508, please reconsider the above-identified application.

The pending claims are reflected in the **Listing of Claims** that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.